

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (previously presented) A method for managing digital image media files comprising the steps of:

providing a server for managing access to a digital image media collection stored on a remote user computer of a user, said digital image media collection having at least one digital media file, said at least one digital media file having at least one image file of a predetermined resolution, said server capable of communicating over a communication network with said user computer, said user providing an initial authorization for managing of said digital images by said server; and

controlling automatic periodic access by said server to said image media collection in said user computer without any further authorization by said user.

2. (previously presented) A method according to claim 1 further comprising the steps of:

said server automatically creating a copy of said at least one digital image file in said digital image media collection, said copy having a resolution lower than said predetermined resolution for utilization by said server.

3. (currently amended) A method according to claim 2 wherein each of said at least one digital image media file of said digital image media collection includes additional data with respect to said at least one digital image file.

4. (original) A method according to claim 3 wherein said additional data comprises audio data.

5. (original) A method according to claim 3 wherein said additional data comprises data structure information relating to said at least one digital image media file.

6. (previously presented) A method according to claim 2 wherein said utilization comprises:

forwarding said copy to a third party.

7. (previously presented) A method according to claim 2 wherein said utilization comprises:

forwarding said copy to a fulfillment provider for providing of goods and/or services with respect to said copy.

8. (previously presented) A method according to claim 7 wherein said fulfillment provider automatically accesses said at least one digital image of a predetermined resolution from said user computer over said communication network wherein said predetermined resolution is less than the resolution of the image in said image media collection.

9. (original) A method according to claim 1 wherein instructions regarding providing of goods and/or services are provided automatically.

10. (currently amended) A method according to claim 9 wherein said instructions are obtained by analyzing said digital image files with respect to a predefined icon representative of said instructions.

11. (original) A method according to claim 10 wherein said icon is at least a portion of an image of an individual.

12. (currently amended) A system for managing digital image media files, comprising:

a server for managing access to a digital image media collection stored on a remote user computer, said digital image media collection having at least one digital media file[[,]] having at least one image file of a predetermined resolution, said sever capable of communicating over a communication network with said user computer, said user providing an initial authorization for allowing

said server to access the digital images and identifying to said server third parties who can also have access to said digital image media collection; and

a computer software program for controlling automatic periodic access to at least one digital media collection at said remote user computer file, said software program automatically allowing access by said server and said third party over said communication network without any further authorization by said user ~~a remote party to said at least one media file of said digital image media collection by said server over said communication network without any further authorization by said user.~~

13. (currently amended) A system according to claim 12 wherein said remote third party comprises a fulfillment provider for providing goods and/or services with respect to said at least one digital media file.

14. (original) A system according to claim 13 wherein said software program allows said fulfillment provider to automatically access said at least one digital media file stored in said user digital media collection without any further authorization by said user.

15. (original) A system according to claim 12 wherein said software program is running on said server.

16. (original) A system according to claim 12 wherein said software program is running on said user computer.

17. (original) A computer software product which when loaded into a computer will cause said computer to perform the following step of:
allowing controlled access by a service provider over a communication network to a user media file stored on a user computer, said user media file having at least one digital image file.

18. (currently amended) A method for managing digital image media files comprising the steps of:

providing a server for managing access to a digital media collection stored on a remote user computer of a user, said digital media image collection having at least one digital media file, said at least one digital media file having at least one image file of a predetermined resolution, said server capable of communicating over a communication network with said user computer;

said server obtaining authorization for managing and accessing of said at least one digital images in said digital media collection on said user computer by said server; and

periodically accessing said digital media collection by said server for managing said digital images in said collection.

19. (currently amended) A method according to claim 18 wherein said managing comprises the steps of creating a low resolution copy of any new digital media files that have been placed in said image media collection and storing said low resolution copy.